

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: David Allen et al.

Confirmation No.: 1326

Application No.: 10/729,740

Group No.: 2858

Filed: December 5, 2003

Examiner: Amy He

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTION OF CONTAMINANTS IN A FLUID

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+	\$ 0.00	= \$ 0.00
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Total additional fee for claims required							\$446.00

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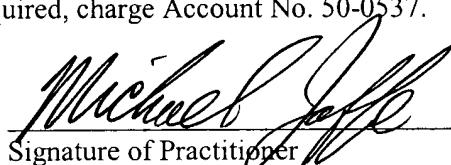
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action dated August 11, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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